

**MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE
ON
HEALTH POLICY**

Tuesday, May 10, 2005

10:30 a.m.

Room 521 House Office Building

The House Standing Committee on Health Policy was called to order by the Chair.

Members present: Reps. Gaffney, Newell, Robertson, Vander Veen, Hune, Ward, Nofs, Ball, Green, Kahn, Mortimer, Adamini, Wojno, McDowell, Murphy, Gleason, Angerer.

Members absent/excused: None.

Representative Hune moved to approve the minutes of the May 3, 2005 meeting. Representative Adamini supported the motion. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

The Chair laid HB 4559 before the committee.

HB 4559 Kahn Health; pharmaceuticals; prescription drug website; provide for.

Representative Roger Kahn, sponsor of HB 4559, testified in support of the bill.

Jenifer Esch and Michelle Rick of the Attorney General's office testified in support of the bill. Questions and discussion among committee members followed.

Orlene Christie of the Michigan Department of Community Health testified on concerns with the bill. Ms. Christie also submitted written testimony. Questions and discussion among committee members followed.

Bill Knox of the AARP testified in support of the bill. Questions and discussion among committee members followed.

Representative Vander Veen moved to adopt substitute (H-1) for HB 4559. Representative Robertson supported the motion. **The motion prevailed 17-0-0.**

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Gaffney, Newell, Robertson, Vander Veen, Hune, Ward, Nofs, Ball, Green, Kahn, Mortimer, Adamini, Wojno, McDowell, Murphy, Gleason, Angerer.

Nays: None.

Pass: None.

Representative Kahn offered the following amendment to substitute (H-1) of HB 4559:

1. Amend page 1, line 4, after "**WEBSITES**" by striking out the balance of the

subsection and inserting “**INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THOSE WEBSITES THAT MAY ASSIST AND EDUCATE CUSTOMERS ON THE AVAILABILITY OF PUBLIC AND PRIVATE PROGRAMS THAT OFFER ACCESS TO DISCOUNTED OR FREE PRESCRIPTION DRUGS IN COMPLIANCE WITH FEDERAL AND STATE RULES AND REGULATIONS.**”.

Representative Mortimer moved to adopt the amendment. Representative Robertson supported the motion. **The motion prevailed 17-0-0.**

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Gaffney, Newell, Robertson, Vander Veen, Hune, Ward, Nofs, Ball, Green, Kahn, Mortimer, Adamini, Wojno, McDowell, Murphy, Gleason, Angerer.

Nays: None.

Pass: None.

Representative Robertson moved to report HB 4559 with recommendation as amended, as substitute (H-2). Representative Adamini supported the motion. **The motion prevailed 17-0-0.**

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Gaffney, Newell, Robertson, Vander Veen, Hune, Ward, Nofs, Ball, Green, Kahn, Mortimer, Adamini, Wojno, McDowell, Murphy, Gleason, Angerer.

Nays: None.

Pass: None.

There being no further business before the committee, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 11:17 a.m.

Representative Edward Gaffney, Chair_____

Dan Stump, Committee Clerk
House Health Policy Committee, (517) 373-5795